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REMARKS

Claims 1-4 were pending in this application. New claims 5-8 are added. No

new subject matter is believed to have been added by these amendments. Therefore, claims 1-

8 remain in this application.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner has acknowledged that claims 1-4 are allowable

New Claims

New claims 5-8 have been added by this Amendment. New claim 5 is

independent, and new claims 6-8 depend therefrom. No new matter was added. Support for

the new claims can be found in the specification and drawings as originally filed. Claims 5-8

are also believed to be allowable over the prior art of record.

New independent claim 5 is directed to a hydraulic circuit for a backhoe,

comprising: first, second and third pumps driven by an engine; left and right traveling unit

valve sections configured to receive pressure oil from the fist pump and the second pump

independently of each other; a front implement valve section configured to receive combined

pressure oil of said left and right traveling unit valve sections; a swiveling valve section

configured to receive pressure oil from the third pump; and a parallel oil passage having a

restrictor and disposed parallel to a center oil passage of said swiveling valve section;

wherein said front implement valve section is configured to receive also pressure oil from the

center oil passage of the swiveling valve section and the parallel oil passage; and there is

provided a load sensing system for controlling flow amounts of the fist and second pumps

according to a hydraulic load generated in a front implement operation.

The claimed features of new independent claim 5 are not addressed in the prior art of

record. Therefore, allowance of new claims 5-8 is respectfully requested.

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CONCLUSION

Based on the foregoing amendments and remarks, allowance of new claims 5-8 is respectfully requested.

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